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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A PRIOR TO ACTION

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INVENTION:

METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE OFFERING OF

AT LEAST ONE ADDITIONAL TRANSMISSION

CHANNEL AS ACCESS TO A PACKET-SWITCHING

**NETWORK** 

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231

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> Applicants herewith amend the above-referenced PCT application, and request entry of the Amendment prior to examination on the United States Examination Phase.

## 20 IN THE CLAIMS:

Øn page 11:

replace line 1 with -- WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--;

Please replace original claims 1-7 with the following rewritten claims 1-7, referring to the mark-ups in Appendix A.

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1. (Amended) A method for controlling an offering of at least one additional transmission channel as access to a packet-switching network on which information in the form of data or voice can be transmitted within a line-switching network between an access node connected to said packet-switching network and at least one subscriber terminal device or at least one private branch exchange for the

